



***“The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love; He will exult over you with loud singing.” – Zephaniah 3:17***

If there's anything people are seeking more of today, it's comfort. In light of all that our world is facing, chaos and confusion run rampant. So, there is no wonder that people are searching for ways to be comforted. The world offers many avenues for this. Some people seek comfort in physical ways to bring ease to everyday pains. Some may seek comfort in an emotional way and desire to have a spouse or a relationship that is meaningful to them. Regardless of the comfort people seek, for the most part, many of those things that we might find comfort in are inconsistent. For us as believers, Children of God, where do we find our comfort? The obvious answer that someone would immediately spit out is “God.” But is that reflected in our lives? Sure, we can say, “God is great,” when we are on the mountains, but how do we respond to that greatness when we are in the lowest valley? How comforting is God to you when despair and uncertainty walk through our doors and tries to disrupt our families? In those moments when we are unsure of which direction to go, do we cry out to our Father for comfort and direction?

In the midst of chaos and confusion, sometimes all we need is to be quieted. While the world argues and debates about what is moral and what is right, we as believers need more than ever to be seeking God not only for wisdom but for comfort. “He will quiet you by His love; He will exult, or rejoice, over you with loud singing.”

One of the most challenging yet rewarding thing that I found as a new father is being able to comfort my son when he becomes fussy. He knows when he is in my arms, and it seems that no matter what has caused him to become upset it slowly fades away and he can rest. I may not be the best singer, but he knows my voice and it soothes him. As Children of God, we can become like infants and find ourselves “fussy” as well. But in those moments are you reminded of the steadfast love of your father? It will hush out all the fear, pandemonium, and uncertainty of life. It will quiet the chaos around you because you know that His hands are holding you. His song will bring the very peace that comforts the worrisome of minds, and then rest can be found.

*“Heavenly Father, I thank You for the comfort that can only be found in You. There is nothing in this world that can bring about peace in our lives than knowing the love You have for us. Empower us daily to come to You like a child, knowing that You are a good Father who provides and protects His children. Lord, in a world of uncertainty, I pray that we are always keeping our focus on You and Your word; meditating on it day and night. Let Your people shine as light in the midst of a dark world so that the world would put their hope, rest, and joy in You. In Jesus name, Amen.”*

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